

EXHIBIT 3

TO: Nevada Prison Commissioners:
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Good Afternoon,

We have become a nation of prisons, but how are we going to take care of our prisoners? We cannot.

What is the true cost of continued Nevada prisoner warehousing?
It cannot be calculated.

Can a Nevada prison sentence become a death sentence?
Yes, it can, and in many cases, it has.

In the summer of 1971, the classic psychological Stanford Prison Experiment asked important questions.

What happens when we put good people in an evil place?
And, does humanity win over evil, or does evil triumph?

The planned two-week investigation into the psychology of prison life had to be ended prematurely after only six days because of what the situation was doing to the college students who participated.

Guards became sadistic. Prisoners became withdrawn, depressed and showed signs of extreme stress and began behaving in pathological ways.

Here are four examples of sadistic, excessive force inside Nevada prisons that you may not have seen... worse by far than Abu Ghraib.

1. Defenseless, beaten, still in prison, now with hepatitis C, suspecting reused needles in the medical department, since he was locked in a single cell for nearly two decades;

2. Defenseless, but shot in the back, unable to get prison medical employees to remove the buckshot causing severe migraine headaches. He currently has an open warrant in Florida. Would we be functional after such treatment?

3. A victim. His only choice to relieve excruciating pain was dental extraction in a Nevada prison, but, he was expected to reenter society with no front teeth and get a job. His fate? Unknown.

4. Unarmed, but clubbed mercilessly, out now, his fate also unknown.

On the other side of the equation, there is the issue of the older prisoners devouring the younger ones through domination by fear and sexual assault.

Of the 50 or more outsiders who saw the Stanford prison, only one participant, a PhD brought in to do interviews, ever questioned its morality. The link of this ignored social research is on Nevada Prisoner Voice for your review.

Yet, Nevada prisons continue, defying logic and common sense.

The system is broken, as Asm. Segerblom stated April 2, 2009, at the Nevada corrections committee meeting.

UNLV criminologist, author Randall G. Sheldon has thrown in the towel. He wrote last week that he has come to believe that change will never come from inside the Nevada prison system.

December 5, 2000, I appeared before the Nevada Prison Commission to address lack of prisoner medical treatment, excessive use of force and late parole release. But, these issues continue today with no relief in sight.

After reviewing thousands of Nevada prisoner letters and legal documents over the years, we think that the current administration policy and operations are preventing the positive changes that can alter prisoners' lives, officers' lives, the family's lives of both and community progress.

This is why new leadership today in the director's office and at Ely State Prison immediately. Tomorrow may be too late. Buildings instead of drug programs: ineffective and unacceptable.

The enclosed April 13, 2009 New York Times editorial states, "The most effective programs provide inmates with high-quality treatment in prison and continue treatment when prisoners return to their communities.

Such programs have been shown to reduce both drug use and recidivism. But, good programs are rare, according to a report earlier this year in The Journal of the American Medical Association."

We ask you to provide critical drug treatment and education to every Nevada prisoner who needs it for the benefit of all. If you will not, send prisoners home under house arrest to get treatment and education.

226 NV prisoners died Jan 1, 2000 to June 4, 2007. Up to date death information? We can't get it. NDOC does not make it a priority. Mr. Reed, NDOC statistician, wrote me January 22, 2009, "As for the death statistics, I don't have a projected date. We are very busy with other projects." Not recording or revealing current prisoner deaths in prisons is unacceptable morally and reveals insensitivity to human life. Five more deaths have occurred at Ely alone since June 4, 2007. See Nevada Prisoner Voice for death information. www.nvpv.us

There were 545 Nevada prisoner lawsuits in federal courts 19 Feb 2009. The bulk of the work for the federal court in Reno is from NV prison inmates at Ely State Prison.

These 20 positive changes will avoid future litigation and create a safer, productive environment for the benefit of all:

- Humane Nevada Prison Conditions
- Effective Medical, Dental and Mental Health Care in Nevada prisons
- Immediate Food, Clothing, Shelter and Exercise Relief

The recent reported food and milk reduction... two packets of dried milk down to one at Ely, for example, is unacceptable. Withholding food is inhumane. We also brought this up to the Governor's Committee on Corrections about a decade ago, but, still, there is no relief.

Accreditation to Professional Standards, that we also requested at legislature a decade ago. No standards for facilities is disastrous for prisoners and staff.

- National Commission on Correctional Healthcare (NCCHC) Accreditation
- American Correctional Association Accreditation

Concerning prisoner jobs:

- Expansion of Nevada Prison Industries and Agriculture
- Termination of Discriminatory Practices in the Nevada Prison Industries' Classification Process
- Minimum Wages for Prison Workers

Concerning confinement:

- Closure of All Nevada Prison Control Units

- Termination of Perpetual Lockdown status for Ely State Prison, Ely, Nevada, with no due process re classification

NOTE: Administrative Segregation is solitary confinement, and highly destructive to the human psyche per expert psychiatrist Dr. Stuart Grassian's 59 page report: <http://law.wustl.edu/Journal/22/p325Grassian.pdf> This report is also linked on the Nevada Prisoner Voice website.

- Removal of the civil justice system for Ely State Prison from White Pine County to Clark County, Nevada
- Termination of Mixed Classifications Policy and Practice to stop future Sexual Assault and Rape
- Access to Nevada Department of Corrections' Official Reports and Statistics
- Termination of Nevada Prison Censorship, including mail, and Retaliation for Political Activism
- Reinstatement of Hardback Books, Typewriters, and Regular Pens for Fair Access to Education and Communications
- Introduction of personal netbooks as personal learning tools and to enable computer literacy
- Termination of mailroom personnel interference with US mail
- The Appointment of Volunteer Ombudsmen for Each Nevada Prison Facility
- A Prison Monitor Corps of Retired Educators and Business Professionals whose duties include audit and oversight of the prison budget, time keeping, the grievance system.

And lastly,

- Termination of prisoner family money confiscation without due process.

After reviewing Nevada Prison Commission minutes 1996 to the present day, we can find no record of Nevada commission members Board of Prison Commissioner ever discussing or carrying out this duty that NRS 209.382 mandates:

The board shall take appropriate action to remedy any deficiencies that the State Health Officer reports after examination of medical, dental services, diet of offenders, sanitation and safety in institutions and facilities. NRS 209.382.

You must also reinstate the semi-annual health inspections, all but discontinued though they are still mandated by law.

Otherwise, you will have failed to fulfill your jobs to protect the health and welfare of Nevada prisoner, wards of the State of Nevada.

If you will not do this, then you must send prisoners home today under house arrest and let their families find the health care that so many desperately need.

Prisoners are people, human beings with gifts and talents that can be uncovered with proper guidance under your wise supervision.

No==to preventable suffering and deaths. No==to prison officials' medical malpractice. No==to homicidal neglect. Yes==to immediate positive change!

In closing, Commissioners, you have the power to see that Nevada prison officials and employees do no harm and that our prisoners return to society better than when they entered prison.

It is possible that the three of you could win the Nobel Peace Prize if you decide to empower our Nevada prisoners to succeed.

Thank you,



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ENCL: Nevada Prisoner Death List 1905 to June 4, 2007 (3 pgs.)

New York Times Article 13 April 2009 ADDICTION BEHIND BARS (1pg.)

Fix the Prisons? By Randall G. Sheldon (2pgs.)

Four Use of Excessive Force Photos (4)

POINT BOARDS: (1) each: Stop Inhumane Prisoner Deaths!; Stop Prison Medical Malpractice!; Adequate Prisoner Food! Clothing! Fire Skolnik and McCaniels!; Stop Prison Kangaroo Courts! Prisoner Education and Rehabilitation!; Prison Board: Do a Better Job! Where's the Water? @ H.D.S.P Indian Springs

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
STATISTICS AND PLANNING

INMATE DEATHS

REPORT # 2.9
PERIOD COVERED: 01/01/2000 TO 06/04/2007

NAME	NUMBER	COUNTY	RECEIVED	DATE DIED	AGE	RACE	INM	CAUSE OF DEATH
ROSENBERG, ABRAHAM J	78980	CLARK	1/22/2003	5/20/2007	68	CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL
KISLINO, MICHAEL	84854	BOARDER	5/24/2007	5/19/2007	59	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
ADAMS, RICHARD D	85409	CLARK	4/1/2006	5/10/2007	49	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
WEBER, ANTHONY L	86178	WASHOE	4/19/2007	5/2/2007	52	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
SCOTT, LINDA L	86178	WASHOE	7/21/1997	4/1/2007	56	CAUC	NNCC	UNKNOWN
MALDONADO, ANDRES U	88319	CLARK	11/2/2005	4/1/2007	39	HISP	NV HOSP	NATURAL
GOUGHENOUR, SHADRACH C	89304	WASHOE	1/16/1999	4/9/2007	61	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
HARTMAN, GORDON	79815	CLARK	3/20/2007	4/2/2007	35	CAUC	HOSP	SUICIDE
BERGER, GILBERT	83204	WASHOE	10/12/2004	3/27/2007	71	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
CRACRAFT, GRANT S	79815	CLARK	1/26/2004	3/25/2007	69	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
JACKSON, PHILIP P	70749	CLARK	1/22/2003	3/9/2007	42	CAUC	NSP	NATURAL
SASHINGER, HENRY	16886	CLARK	4/1/1982	2/27/2007	44	BLACK	NNCC	COMPLICATIONS/AIDS
GIER, RICHARD	49515	WASHOE	3/22/1996	2/18/2007	47	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/HEART FAILURE
MULLEN, STEPHEN T	32525	DOUGLAS	10/23/1990	2/3/2007	46	CAUC	HOSP	SUICIDE
BACCARI, LAWRENCE	71021	CLARK	1/10/2001	1/20/2007	38	CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL/EXSANGUINATION
MUELES, GREGORIO	13718	CLARK	7/26/1978	1/27/2007	61	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/METASTATIC MELANOMA
DILLARD, MERRILL L	87347	WASHOE	5/24/2006	1/27/2007	71	HISP	NNCC	NATURAL/ASPIRATE PNEUMONIA
BEITMAN, ANTHONY	88272	CLARK	11/12/2005	1/23/2007	42	BLACK	NV HOSP	COMPLICATIONS/AIDS
PIERRO, MICHAEL	89304	CLARK	1/18/2006	1/26/2006	33	CAUC	ESP	HOMICIDE/OTHER INMATE MULTIPLE PUNCTURE WOUNDS TO TRUNK
ANDERSON, ROSEMARY E	85508	CLARK	4/7/2005	1/24/2006	29	CAUC	ESP	SUICIDE/HANGING
WALDRON, GALE	69573	CLARK	5/29/2001	1/22/2006	48	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
SMITH, ROBERT P	17542	CLARK	8/30/1982	1/23/2006	66	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/PNEUMONIA
DRIVER, WILLIAM H	79228	ELKO	11/26/2003	11/20/2006	66	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
SAVARESE, RALPH L	39879	WASHOE	4/23/1993	11/26/2006	75	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
HART, STEPHEN C	76614	WASHOE	5/26/2003	11/11/2006	71	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
DAVIS, MARLENE	58082	CLARK	6/12/1989	11/9/2006	64	CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL
HIGASHI, KAZUO J	84314	CLARK	1/11/2005	11/9/2006	39	CAUC	NNCC	COMPLICATIONS/AIDS
GILLY, CHARLES	87848	CLARK	8/28/2005	11/12/2006	35	CAUC	RES CONF	NATURAL
SCHULTHEISS, ROBERT J	92487	BOARDER	1/21/2006	10/25/2006	37	BLACK	ESP	NATURAL
TAYLOR, DONALD W	82910	CLARK	9/12/2006	10/8/2006	19	CAUC	SDCC	SUICIDE/ASPHYXIA HANGING
PEARSON, CLEO	87186	CLARK	8/9/2005	9/1/2006	44	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
SCHAEFFLER, JOSEPH H	37932	CLARK	1/3/1992	8/24/2006	55	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/LIVER CANCER
MANARITE, SAMUEL	26741	CARSON	9/13/1988	8/22/2006	55	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANCER
SUDSETH, DONALD L	77405	CLARK	8/6/2003	8/22/2006	87	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
BERRY, HENRY L	70967	CLARK	5/16/2003	7/25/2006	55	CAUC	HOSP	SUICIDE/ASPHYXIA HANGING
ESTABROOK, ROBERT D	85074	WASHOE	5/17/2005	7/24/2006	65	BLACK	NV HOSP	NATURAL
BRUNSMAN, CECIL W	53002	WASHOE	3/10/1997	7/23/2006	44	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/METASTATIC ESOPHAGEAL CANCER
FAIRBANKS, JAMES L	79228	ELKO	11/25/2003	7/25/2006	61	HISP	NNCC	SUICIDE/ASPHYXIA HANGING
FOWLER, ERIC V	69583	WASHOE	6/2/2003	7/19/2006	56	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/METASTATIC COLON CANCER
LESZYNSKI, SCOTT	84156	MAHERAL	10/26/2005	7/10/2006	32	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
ORTEGA, EUGENE M	84526	CLARK	1/26/2005	7/9/2006	46	CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/ANXIOUS ENCEPHALOPATHY
TOLEDO, ERNIE H	59779	WASHOE	12/11/1998	6/26/2006	44	HISP	NV HOSP	HOMICIDE/OTHER INMATE
MORALES, RAMON A	92428	WASHOE	5/25/2005	6/5/2006	40	NDIAN	NV JAIL	SUICIDE
DYBA, DONALD	84848	CLARK	4/4/2008	5/24/2006	48	HISP	NV HOSP	NATURAL/BRONCHOPNEUMONIA
RAZE, CARL C	87183	LYON	8/4/2005	5/23/2006	59	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CORROSIVE
HASTY, JACK L	83580	WASHOE	11/12/2004	5/22/2006	69	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
ROUTH, LES E	89545	CLARK	5/21/2005	5/21/2006	31	CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/LUNG CANCER
ADAMS, MELVIN J	78879	CLARK	10/21/2003	5/8/2006	40	BLACK	NV JAIL	NATURAL
WACK, DARYL L	44532	WASHOE	11/23/1994	4/28/2006	47	BLACK	NNCC	EXECUTED/LEGAL EXECUTION
CAVANAUGH, PATRICK	20367	CLARK	1/4/1985	4/10/2006	51	BLACK	ESP	NATURAL/DIABETES MELLITUS
RICHARDSON, THOMAS C	53614	LYON	5/18/1977	3/12/2006	59	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/METASTATIC CANCER
HOFFMAN, STEVEN E	31775	CLARK	7/15/1991	3/4/2006	55	CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL
BRADFORD, LETITIA R	32592	CLARK	8/1/2004	2/26/2006	37	BLACK	NV HOSP	NATURAL
BOLLEN, HARVEY A	56423	NYE	1/27/1998	1/22/2006	72	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/HEART FAILURE
CUCCA, ANTHONY J	73856	CLARK	8/23/2002	1/8/2006	65	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST
OWENS, JAMES D	11351	CLARK	9/17/1973	12/30/2005	58	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/BOWEL OBSTRUCTION
MCINTYRE, DAVID	85813	CLARK	5/2/2005	12/20/2005	31	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
BIAS, HENRY L	64810	CLARK	3/30/2000	11/30/2005	53	BLACK	HOSP	NATURAL
GREATHOUSE, CASSIUS R	78174	WASHOE	11/21/2003	11/13/2005	42	CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL
MILTON, GREGORY R	43228	WASHOE	7/1/1994	11/13/2005	58	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
CHAVEZ, RICHARD J	33242	CLARK	4/9/1997	11/9/2005	43	HISP	NNCC	SUICIDE/HANGING
SWANSTON, LYNN	33595	LANDER	3/22/1991	11/7/2005	61	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/INDIVIDUAL NICOTINE ADDICTION
JONES, MICHAEL	52207	CLARK	11/17/2001	11/32/2005	53	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
PERKINS, MARCEL L	82604	CLARK	8/30/2004	10/18/2005	26	BLACK	RES CONF	NATURAL/NATURAL CAUSES
SHEPHERD, JAMES D	84009	WASHOE	12/19/2004	10/4/2005	42	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/AT THIS TIME
COMBAY, STEVEN C	21891	CLARK	12/23/2003	9/21/2005	82	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
SHIELDS, KAREN B	89054	WASHOE	6/13/2005	9/2/2005	50	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/RENAL FAILURE
NICKOL, GARY L	69124	CLARK	7/26/2006	8/29/2005	63	CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL/SEVERE CORONARY ATHEROSCLEROSIS
CONOR, DEBERT	11474	PERKINS	3/13/1984	8/25/2005	66	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE
KNIGHT, WILLIAM R	33779	CLARK	2/8/1991	8/12/2005	48	CAUC	OSC	NATURAL/UNKNOWN
SALZBURG, SHAWN L	80469	CLARK	3/15/2004	7/27/2005	37	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST
BOON, JESSE J	12327	CLARK	3/28/2005	7/17/2005	63	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/COLON CANCER
GRAHAM, MELVIN J	66864	WASHOE	4/27/2005	7/9/2005	37	BLACK	NV HOSP	NATURAL/RUPTURED BERRY ANEURYSM
GROGAN, ANTONIO F	34251	CHURCHILL	6/19/1981	6/19/2005	54	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LIVER FAILURE
BLUSH, WILLIAM M	78512	CLARK	6/16/2003	6/16/2005	48	CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/END STAGE HEPATIC CIRRHOSIS
WARD, GREGORY O	84458	CLARK	1/27/2005	5/27/2005	26	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC FAILURE
NABOR, AMADOR E	54272	CLARK	7/5/1997	5/19/2005	49	HISP	ESP	NATURAL/LIVER DISEASE
NEAM, ROYAL R	80854	CLARK	4/14/2004	5/6/2005	83	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/DIAPHRAGM
BOLDEN, JACKIE	84237	CLARK	1/4/2005	5/6/2005	48	BLACK	HOSP	NATURAL/HEART ATTACK
GROBERG, THOMAS H	50597	CLARK	3/23/1990	5/4/2005	68	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION/NOLENE ADDICTION/HTN
PHIFER, JOSEPH E	80463	CLARK	3/16/2004	5/4/2005	50	CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/SEPSIS
CARNEY, MICHAEL W	83847	CLARK	12/1/2004	3/11/2005	41	CAUC	HOSP	SUICIDE/ASPHYXIA/HANGING
KACY, RICHARD	82789	CLARK	4/6/2004	2/9/2005	57	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LIVER CANCER METASTATIC
JOHNSON, DARRYL	81789	CLARK	4/6/2004	2/9/2005	57	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
BUTLER, ROBERT B	15260	CLARK	6/27/1980	2/5/2005	85	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/WALDENSTROM'S MACROGLOBULINEMIA
DAVIS, DENNIS J	68640	WASHOE	4/6/2001	2/5/2005	45	CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY FAILURE, VASCULITIS, HEPATITIS C
FORD, PRISCILLA	17583	WASHOE	4/7/1982	1/26/2005	78	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANCER/MYOPATHY
MEYERS, KIM K	13217	CLARK	12/11/1985	1/20/2005	53	CAUC	RES CONF	NATURAL/RENAL FAILURE
SMITH, CASANDRA R	86728	CLARK	4/6/2004	1/29/2004	34	BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/HEPATIC FAILURE
JACKSON, STEVEN D	84545	CARSON	3/6/2000	12/16/2004	57	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/METASTATIC COLON CANCER
RODOLPH, CHARLES P	72815	WASHOE	5/17/2002	12/6/2004	75	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANCER
CORDOVA, FRANK	18812	CLARK	6/25/1993	11/30/2004	57	HISP	HOSP	NATURAL/HEART ATTACK
SULLIVAN, JOHN	75628	BOARDER	1/25/2002	11/17/2004	31	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CEREBROVASCULAR ACCIDENT
COBBETTE, NOEL	76512	CLARK	4/30/2003	11/23/2004	58	BLACK	SDCC	NATURAL/HYPERTROPHIC CARDIOMYOPATHY
SHOELS, WILLIAM C	68805	CLARK	4/23/2001	9/29/2004	44	CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
RUZZA, RUSSELL L	61782	WASHOE	5/8/2003	9/28/2004	55	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
RICE, DAVID W	9690	WASHOE	4/5/1986	9/24/2004	56	CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/METASTATIC CACINOMA
CLARK, MICHAEL R	73674	LYON	8/17/2002	9/17/2004	85	HISP	NNCC	NATURAL/COLON CANCER
PERDIN, JUAN	31742	CLARK	7/9/1995	9/5/2004				

DENNIS, TERRY J	62144 WASHOE	7/25/1999	8/12/2004	51 CAUC	NSP	EXECUTED MULTIPLE DRUG OVERDOSE
DEBSON, GARY	17832 DOUGLAS	1/13/1983	8/12/2004	59 CAUC	ESP	NATURAL/HEPATITIS C
ANAYA, VICTOR A	73031 WASHOE	4/13/2004	8/12/2004	47 HISP	NNCC	NATURAL/CIROSIS OF THE LIVER
PALACIOS, PABLO	81726 CLARK	6/23/2004	7/23/2004	49 HISP	HOSP	SUICIDE/HANGING
TAYLOR, FLOYD R	73631 CARSON	8/26/2002	7/17/2004	76 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
MUNIZ, JOSHUA	59483 CLARK	10/27/1998	7/14/2004	23 HISP	NV HOSP	HOWIC/OTHER INMATE/STABBING
ERVIN, ROBERT	7985 CLARK	5/22/1992	8/3/2004	86 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
SHOUSE, WILLIAM D	74781 CLARK	11/14/2002	5/18/2004	44 CAUC	PNCC	NATURAL/MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
KORNEGAY, JOHN W	15862 LANDER	2/8/1981	5/6/2004	81 CAUC	PNCC	NATURAL/METOSTEAL LUNG CANER
CAMPBELL, RICHARD	20330 CLARK	8/27/1986	4/18/2004	58 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/BRAIN CANER
GREEN, CARL B	34915 CLARK	9/23/1991	4/18/2004	58 BLACK	NV HOSP	HOWIC/OTHER INMATE/RESPICTORY FAILURE MASSIVE BLOOD LOSS
HINES, OTIS D	38458 CLARK	12/14/1992	4/8/2004	54 BLACK	NV HOSP	OTHER INTRACRANIAL HEMORRHAGE
TATUM, MICHAEL J	66861 CLARK	7/9/2001	4/5/2004	43 BLACK	NNCC	COMPLICATIONS/ADDS
SHIELDS, CHRISTINE A	71228 WASHOE	1/27/2001	3/26/2004	58 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/METASTATIC MALIGNANCY
GOLWELL, LAWRENCE	47271 CLARK	8/17/1995	3/26/2004	35 CAUC	NSP	EXECUTED MULTIPLE DRUG OVERDOSE
NEAL, CHARLES D	72992 WASHOE	4/22/2001	3/5/2004	34 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST ACUTE LEUKEMIA
BECHHOOL, RICHARD L	68604 CLARK	4/5/1999	2/7/2004	58 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST
WYNN, CHARLES H	13548 CLARK	1/17/2003	1/24/2004	78 CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL
PRENN, MATTHEW S	75528 CLARK	3/8/2002	1/15/2004	32 CAUC	NNCC	COMPLICATIONS/ADDS
WAGE, MORRIS W	72709 CLARK	6/3/1994	1/22/2004	75 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE
MOLLING, JAMES B	42944 WASHOE	3/4/1994	1/1/2004	86 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST ADVANCED AGE
DOMENICO, FRANK	26728 WASHOE	4/22/1985	1/1/2004	53 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CIROSIS OF LIVER HEPATITIS C
BALDWIN, CLARENCE R	49817 CLARK	10/4/1989	12/29/2003	53 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/METASTATIC PROSTATE CANER
PAQUAN, WALTER W	20597 CLARK	1/21/1981	12/22/2003	89 CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL/CARCINOMA OF LUNG
GUTHRIE, LELAND D	73773 PERSHING	5/15/2003	9/26/2003	63 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/BACTERIAL MENINGITIS STEPTOCOCCUS PNEUMONIA
KELLY, DEBORAH E	73074 WASHOE	6/12/2002	9/15/2003	60 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/UPPER AIRWAY OBSTRUCTION
CUNEO, DAVID B	21728 CLARK	11/4/1988	8/17/2003	52 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/METASTATIC LUNG CANER
HUGHES, HOWARD E	73368 CLARK	7/11/2002	7/31/2003	42 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/HEART ATTACK ACUTE MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
PHILLIPS, JON C	56234 CARSON	10/2/1998	7/29/2003	38 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/ACUTE MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION
MCJUNN, LLOYD E	77034 BOARDER	5/17/2003	7/6/2003	41 CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL/CORONARY ATHEROSCLEROSIS
COPPELAND, WILLIAM	73378 CLARK	7/12/2002	8/24/2003	24 CAUC	SDCC	SUICIDE/HANGING ASPHYXIA SUICIDE
DENIS, CHRISTIN S	24516 WHITE PINE	8/21/2003	8/21/2003	66 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANER
BURTON, BILLY D	42622 CLARK	4/25/1994	5/25/2003	83 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
FRESTON, TOM L	22445 CLARK	4/24/2003	5/18/2003	65 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST
BERNER, EDWARD D	78418 WASHOE	4/22/2003	5/13/2003	33 HISP	NNCC	SUICIDE/HANGING
RUIZ, ALVARADO, JUAN J	65734 CARSON	6/19/2003	4/26/2003	51 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
MARTENS, GUY W	74178 WASHOE	8/20/2002	4/6/2003	27 BLACK	NV HOSP	NATURAL/CANCER
WASHINGTON, BARRY	43761 CARSON	3/28/1995	4/3/2003	51 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY FAILURE
TANKSLEY, RICHARD R	58159 CLARK	2/15/2003	3/20/2003	45 ASIAN	NNCC	NATURAL/HEART DISEASE
ABIOLEDA, MARION F	71441 WASHOE	1/4/2003	3/20/2003	49 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/CANCER GASTRIC LYMPHOMA
MCKAY, LEONARD L	12756 CLARK	2/16/1977	3/1/2003	49 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/ESOPHAGUS CANER
WALDRIDGE, TERRY W	15093 WASHOE	4/16/1980	2/2/2003	59 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANER
WEATHERLY, JOE E	19117 ELKO	1/6/1957	1/30/2003	39 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/ATHEROSCLEROTIC CORONARY VASCULAR DISEASE
HEDRICK, JAMES E	71365 CLARK	3/4/2003	1/23/2003	78 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
MCGRIE, KENNETH V	71710 WASHOE	1/20/2003	1/17/2003	59 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANER
ST PETER, JOHN D	37754 CLARK	8/14/1992	1/3/2003	77 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANER
LANZON, JOSEPH	68714 CLARK	4/12/2001	12/26/2002	22 HISP	ESP	HOWIC/OTHER INMATE/CARDIAC ARREST
MONZON, JESUS	29747 WASHOE	10/20/1989	12/11/2002	66 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST
TEMPLE, DONALD M	33923 CLARK	8/13/1993	11/23/2002	62 CAUC	ESP	NATURAL/MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION WITH ACUTE CARDIAC ARREST
HOLLINGSWORTH, DANNY R	70080 WASHOE	8/25/2001	1/11/2002	43 BLACK	NNCC	COMPLICATIONS/ADDS/HEP B AND C
SMITH, ROMEO	71660 HUMBOLDT	1/26/2002	1/15/2002	54 CAUC	ESP	NATURAL/OVERDOSE OF SALICYLATE
PEARCE, JAMES F	46262 WASHOE	5/12/1995	1/25/2002	61 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANER
JENNINGS, DAVID M	12220 CLARK	5/5/1976	1/15/2002	69 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIORESPIRATORY ARREST
WELLMAN, WALTER G	22562 CLARK	5/22/1986	1/15/2002	34 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/CANCER/SEPSIS
JOHNSON, ANTHONY D	40562 CLARK	8/31/1993	1/22/2002	52 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CIROSIS
GRAVES, THOMAS H	13804 WASHOE	8/7/1978	9/26/2001	67 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
THEOBALD, DEVON	86999 ELKO	10/25/2002	9/13/2002	81 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST
LAYTON, STEVEN G	15354 CLARK	8/27/1988	9/10/2002	92 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CANCER
MERRIAM, HAROLD	22828 CLARK	7/13/1988	6/3/2002	53 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/MULTISYSTEM ORGAN FAILURE
CHAMBERLAN, JAMES W	19735 CARSON	6/26/1984	7/18/2002	95 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/RECTAL CANER
GALLEGO, GERALD A	27591 WASHOE	9/28/1991	7/7/2002	85 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
WHEELER, CARL D	69373 CLARK	5/14/2001	6/29/2002	55 HISP	NNCC	NATURAL/ACUTE HEMORRHAGIC PANCREATITIS
TOLEDO, EVANGELINA	69931 CLARK	5/8/2001	6/25/2002	43 CAUC	LCC	UNKNOWN/PRESCRIPTION OVERDOSE
SHOFF, WILLIAM D	42868 CLARK	5/27/1994	6/14/2002	57 BLACK	LCC	NATURAL/ARTERIAL CORONARY VASCULAR DISEASE
GROCE, THOMAS A	64977 CLARK	4/12/2000	6/8/2002	41 CAUC	NNCC	COMPLICATIONS/ADDS/COLON CANER
JELINEK, ALAN D	11564 WASHOE	5/8/1974	5/8/2002	72 CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL/CEREBRAL INFARCTION
GEARY, MELVIN	12685 CLARK	5/8/1977	5/8/2002	53 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CIROSIS OF LIVER C
LEBLOND, STEPHEN M	64742 WASHOE	3/24/2000	4/30/2002	59 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LIVER CANER
DAVIS, ROBERT E	23693 CLARK	1/16/1987	4/25/2002	78 CAUC	SDCC	NATURAL/PROSTATE CANER
RICHARD, GLENN	12281 WASHOE	5/13/1978	2/23/2002	68 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANER
WILLIAMS, BILLY	11569 CLARK	5/8/1974	1/31/2002	73 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/HEART ATTACK
ALLAN, GEORGE L	68608 CLARK	4/23/2001	12/18/2001	46 CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL/BLATED CARDIOMYOPATHY
SANTIAGO, JOHN A	91942 WASHOE	4/7/1999	12/12/2001	60 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANER
BURG, KEITH J	29353 WASHOE	4/25/1989	12/9/2001	53 BLACK	NV HOSP	NATURAL/CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
BROWN, STANLEY	54585 WASHOE	7/15/1998	12/9/2001	58 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANER
WOODS, ROBERT P	41202 CLARK	4/12/2001	11/16/2001	55 BLACK	NNCC	COMPLICATIONS/ADDS/COLON CANER
HARBOR, CHARLES F	59678 CLARK	5/26/1995	11/12/2001	43 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/HEART DISEASE
VAUGHN, DONALD L	49410 CLARK	9/5/1990	10/31/2001	38 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/BRAIN TUMOR
DAWSON, ALLAN D	46788 WASHOE	8/28/1991	10/25/2001	65 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL
SMITH, JOHN D	14826 CLARK	2/12/1980	10/8/2001	74 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/HEART FAILURE
ADAMS, JAMES J	68713 CLARK	4/13/2001	9/28/2001	61 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/LEUKEMIA
RUNNELS, ROOSEVELT	43196 WASHOE	2/3/1995	9/8/2001	72 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CVA/SWOKING
TYREE, CLEVE W	49130 CLARK	3/26/1998	8/22/2001	21 CAUC	NV HOSP	HOWIC/OTHER INMATE/STABBING
ARMSTRONG, JACOB M	15969 CLARK	4/14/1981	8/20/2001	95 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
PATTON, JAMES	15962 CLARK	4/13/1981	7/30/2001	45 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/HEP C/CIROSIS
PARICELL, MICHAEL W	12011 CLARK	7/23/1976	7/1/2001	58 BLACK	NV HOSP	NATURAL/CIROSIS
ANDERSON, LAWRENCE	49592 PERSHING	3/23/1995	6/15/2001	47 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/PULMONARY EMBOLISM
DONOVAN, DONALD	17854 CLARK	1/23/1982	5/21/2001	74 HISP	NNCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
LOPEZ, MANUEL	11456 WASHOE	1/21/1974	4/22/2001	71 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/SEPTIC SHOCK
PENDEL, FREDERICK G	58831 CLARK	8/5/1988	4/21/2001	37 CAUC	NSP	EXECUTED/LETHAL INJECTION
BRIDGES, SEBASTIAN S	21643 CLARK	10/22/1985	4/18/2001	56 BLACK	ESP	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
DAWSON, HENRY D	13885 CLARK	12/31/1978	4/11/2001	57 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/LIVER FAILURE
KNO, LANCOS C	39684 CLARK	8/5/1992	3/24/2001	65 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/PROSTATE CANER
KRUM, DEAN W	69329 CLARK	5/12/2000	3/19/2001	54 CAUC	ESP	NATURAL/ACUTE GASTRO INTESTINAL BLEED
MANLEY, CHARLES E	66418 CLARK	8/28/2000	3/13/2001	39 CAUC	OSC	SUICIDE/HANGING
OLSEN, RORY S	67527 HUMBOLDT	12/13/2000	3/13/2001	62 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
KIECHLER, CHARLES E	12328 CLARK	11/17/1977	2/24/2001	51 CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
DEUTSCHER, HENRY P	67730 CLARK	1/3/2001	2/13/2001	32 CAUC	HOSP	SUICIDE/HANGING
SHAWCINIS, WILLIAM M	83263 CLARK	1/15/1999	1/14/2001	36 HISP	NV HOSP	NATURAL/ADULT RESPIRATORY SYNDROME
BERNAL, ALEJANDRO	82488 CLARK	8/26/1999	11/23/2000	45 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/OVERDOSE OF MORPHINE
CHEWNING, JOHN H	38831 WASHOE	1/26/1993	11/13/2000	81 CAUC	HOSP	NATURAL/SEVERE PULMONARY EMPHYSEMA
COBLE, CHESTER W	62567 CLARK	9/5/1998	10/25/2000	25 CAUC	ENC	OTHER INJURED WHILE ON ESCAPE STATUS
CATALDI, ANDREW S	63584 WASHOE	1/7/2000	10/25/2000	26 CAUC	ENC	OTHER INJURED WHILE ON ESCAPE STATUS
NORDMAN, TRICIA S	98284 CARSON	8/15/2000	9/23/2000	58 CAUC	NNCC	NATURAL/KIDNEY FAILURE
MARKS, JOEL M	11781 CLARK	12/18/1974	9/21/2000	48 BLACK	SNCC	NATURAL/MASSIVE INTESTINAL HEMORRHAGE
FORD, BOBBY J	35645 ELKO	3/5/1992	8/19/2000	49 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
GENTRY, DELMONT L	65228 CARSON	5/3/2000	8/18/2000	39 HISP	NNCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST/RAIN CANER
ACOSTA-ALDAMA, RENE J	22021 CLARK	7/22/1988	8/17/2000	48 BLACK	NNCC	NATURAL/EMPHYSEMA
HAYNES, EDDIE L	11872 CLARK	3/7/1975	7/13/2000	52 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/ACUTE RESPIRATORY FAILURE

EMMONS, MARK S	23765 CLARK	1/25/1917	7/10/2000	38 CAUC	NV HOSP	SUICIDE/INTESTINAL HEMORRHAGE
KNIGHT, STEVEN L	64061 CLARK	1/31/2000	6/24/2000	58 CAUC	NHCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST
FRANK, KURT E	63732 CLARK	12/22/1999	6/7/2000	48 CAUC	NHCC	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST/LIVER DISEASE
ANDERSON, LEON	10386 ELKO	9/29/1959	6/9/2000	69 CAUC	NHCC	NATURAL/SEPTIC SHOCK/MENINGITIS
KORCZ, ALBERT F	62856 WASHOE	10/11/1999	5/22/2000	76 CAUC	NHCC	NATURAL/CARDIAC ARREST
PETERSEN, GORDON L	50487 CLARK	9/10/1998	5/7/2000	64 CAUC	NHCC	NATURAL/HEART ATTACK
FRENCH, FLOYD W	32532 CLARK	10/24/1990	4/28/2000	62 CAUC	NHCC	NATURAL/CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
DORAN, JOHN A	48679 CLARK	1/5/1966	4/11/2000	29 CAUC	ENC	OTHER/MURDERED/DOWN SHOT WOUND TO HEAD
MCKAGLE, KENNETH	14532 WASHOE	8/6/1979	3/15/2000	48 CAUC	ESP	NATURAL/RESPIRATORY ARREST
THOMAS, WILLIAM T	13033 WASHOE	7/15/1977	8/25/2000	60 BLACK	NHCC	NATURAL/HEART ATTACK
CUNNINGHAM, FRED C	60974 WASHOE	3/31/1999	2/26/2000	62 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/COMPLICATIONS OF PNEUMONIA
KELLY, KENNETH V	55856 CLARK	11/14/1997	2/8/2000	68 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/TRACHEOEDARYNGEAL SPASM
KNAPP, STEPHEN	43298 CLARK	3/4/1995	2/7/2000	43 CAUC	ESP	NATURAL/CARDIOPULMONARY ARREST
LOUMAUGH, VELDON L	24113 CLARK	4/6/1987	1/24/2000	53 CAUC	SNCC	NATURAL/LUNG CANCER
GILLESPIE, JAMES H	22512 CLARK	1/24/1968	1/23/2000	51 CAUC	NV HOSP	NATURAL/LIVER DISEASE
HENRY, BENNY R	62935 DOUGLAS	9/29/1999	1/16/2000	42 CAUC	NSP	SUICIDE/HANGING

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Addiction Behind Bars

The United States must do more to curb the spread of diseases like AIDS and hepatitis C in prison, where infection rates are high and inmates can easily spread disease through unprotected sex or by sharing needles.

Drug treatment in prison is clearly part of the solution. But by some estimates, fewer than one in five inmates who need formal treatment are actually getting it. That's alarming, given that about half the prison population suffers from drug abuse or dependency problems.

Addicted prisoners cause problems outside the walls. After they're freed, addicts with H.I.V. or AIDS can infect spouses and lovers. They feed their addictions by returning to crime, which lands them back in prison and starts the terrible cycle over again.

The most effective programs provide inmates with high-quality treatment in prison and continue that treatment when prisoners return to their communities. Such programs have been shown to reduce both drug use and recidivism.

But good programs are rare, according to a report earlier this year in *The Journal of the American Medical Association*. Prisons typically rely on the abstinence-only model, which fails miserably with heroin addicts. Moreover, prison officials are notoriously hostile to methadone maintenance and other chemically based therapies that have long been a standard for people addicted to opiates.

Prison treatment is particularly disastrous in New York, according to a new report from Human Rights Watch. Imprisoned addicts, the authors say, are typically shut out of treatment until their sentences are nearly over because of ill-conceived policies that give priority to those who are about to be released.

New rules created earlier this month should help address these problems. The rules give oversight responsibility for prison treatment programs to the State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services, an agency that develops treatment programs and licenses treatment providers.

The agency will be required to make sure that prison drug treatments are tailored to inmates' needs. It will also monitor the programs, filing annual reports to the governor and Legislature. Drug-policy advocates hope that the new arrangement will improve treatment and provide timely help for addicted inmates. That would be good for public health. It could reduce crime, too.

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Fix the Prisons?

Randall G. Shelden

Senator Jim Webb has been an outspoken critic of America's prison system for some time now. He is not alone; nor is he the first to point out how horrible this system is.

His recent piece in *Parade* ("Why we must fix our prisons" - <http://www.parade.com/news/2009/03/why-we-must-fix-our-prisons.html>), which was distributed throughout the state of Nevada via a mass e-mail recently, does not shed any new light on the issue. Most of us are keenly aware that this country stands head and shoulders above the rest of the world when it comes to locking people up. We are also aware of the obvious connection between the drug war and the huge growth in imprisonment during the past three decades. Most are aware of the fact that the illegal drug trade nets billions of dollars every year and the dead bodies that keep piling up in the wake of this trade. We are also aware of the costs of imprisonment (California alone now tops \$10 billion per year).

I would like to offer a different perspective and pose the following question: Do we really need to "fix" or "reform" the prison?

I ask this question for many different reasons, not the least of which is the obvious fact that despite the overwhelming evidence that prisons have not been a big factor in reducing crime (note that not only does the US have the highest incarceration rate, but it also has the highest crime rate, especially violence), they continue to exist despite repeated attempts to "reform" them.

I have added quotation marks to the terms "fix" and "reform" for a reason. The reason is two-fold. First, the mere fact that the prison system endures means that someone, somewhere is benefiting from its existence. In other words, prisons are "functional" for some segments of the population. More on that shortly.

Secondly, calling for this system to be "fixed" or "reformed" is kind of like asking that we "fix" or "reform" the prison at Guantanamo Bay, rather than eliminating it altogether. A more extreme analogy would be to call for a "reform" of or to "fix" what's wrong with Auschwitz. In both cases, we attempt to make the system more "humane" or eliminate the most extreme cases of outright nastiness, such as making these institutions more "efficiently run." (Believe it or not, some "reformers" of 19th century penal systems in Europe advocated a "whipping machine" in order to make the act of whipping prisoners more "efficient" and consistent (each blow exactly like the one before it).

Senator Webb spend a lot of space in his article on the drug war, which helps "feed" the prison system with the "nutrients" (human bodies) it needs to survive. This indirectly suggests a solution (neither a "fix" nor a "reform" mind you), to which I shall return.

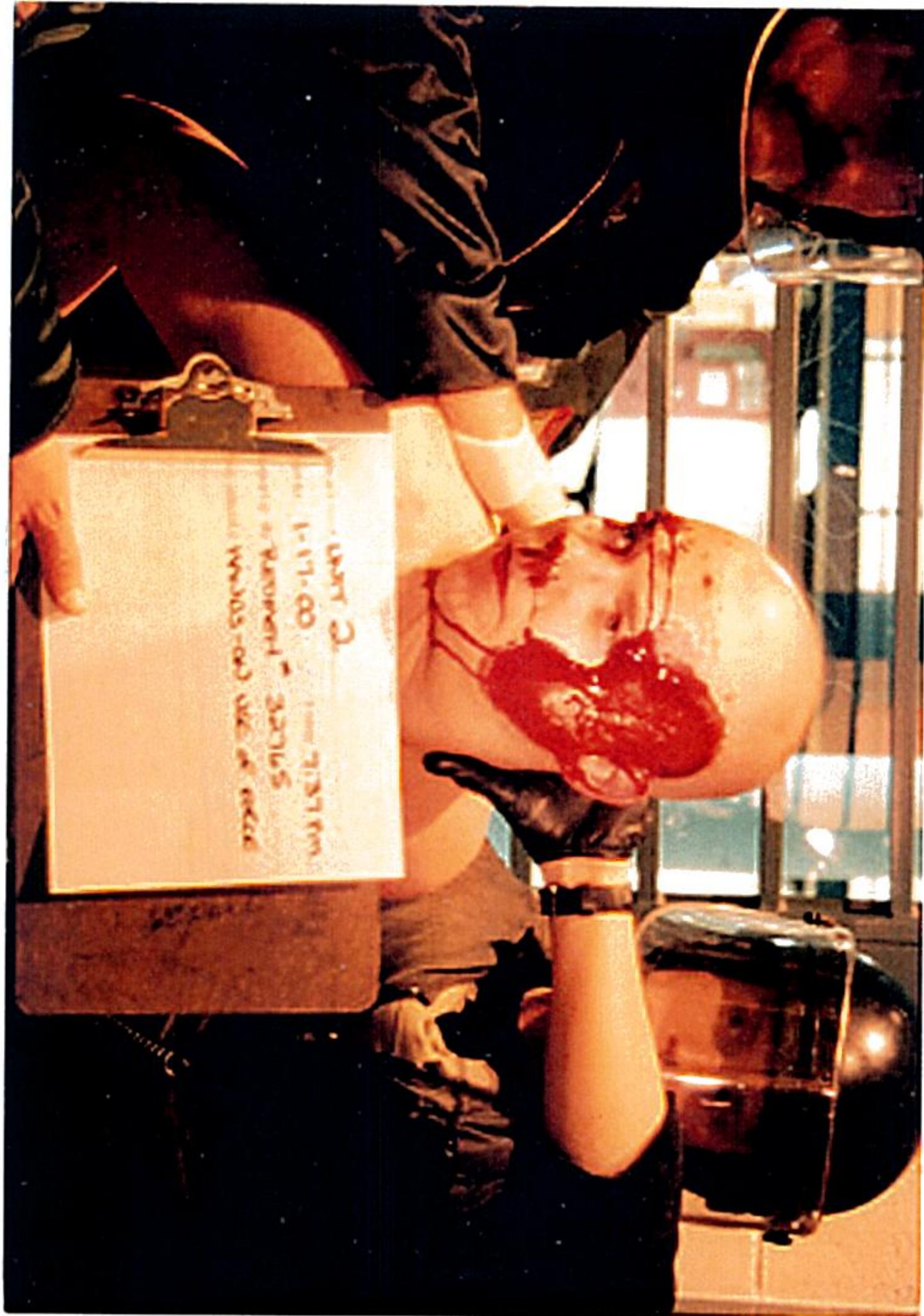
I stated above that the prison system is "functional" in that it benefits some segments of the population. One obvious segment it benefits is all of those who work inside. Indeed, with \$68 billion in annual expenditures on the American prison system plus strong unions in many states (especially in California) you have a very strong vested interest in keeping the prison a going concern (the "reforms" would serve mostly to make working conditions and pay and benefits much better). Then too we have all of the private vendors that profit from prisons (not to mention local jails). Elsewhere I have written extensively about the "prison industrial complex" (see the archives section of this web site for examples) so I do not need to elaborate except to say that hundreds of companies make a lot of money with things like linen,

toiletries, food, phone service, health care, security devices, furniture, etc. Clearly maintaining a prison reaps billions of dollars in revenue to corporations. Also, prisons function to sort of "manage the underclass" or the "rabble" (as stated so well by John Irwin and Jim Austin, among others). Those who find themselves behind bars are typically from the most disadvantaged segments of society (disproportionately minorities). Since there is no room for them in the present economic system (this was so even before the current crisis), prisons provide a place for them. This obviously has nothing to do with the seriousness of their crimes. Witness the horrible consequences of people like Bernie Madoff!!

As to the drug war, what more can I say other than to echo what many others are saying (including an organization called Law Enforcement Against Prohibition – LEAP), namely, that overcrowded prisons are a natural consequence of prohibiting something that is in great demand. Legalize these drugs (with a lot of government regulation of course) and you take the profits away. You also take away the scandals that have rocked the criminal justice system over and over again. In fact, police corruption has always been related to one thing: prohibition. That is, prohibition of alcohol, drugs, prostitution and gambling. You no longer have corruption related to alcohol and gambling since these are now legal. (Read the story of Frank Serpico and you will see how closely related corruption within the NYPD was related to gambling.)

So shall we "fix" or "reform" the prison or engage in the kinds of changes that would make the prison largely unnecessary? Do we extend the benefits of the American capitalist system to those that have been historically left out so that they would not have the need to engage in the kinds of crimes (especially drug use) that lead them to prison? Do we eliminate drug laws and hence their enforcement?

In other words, instead of "fixing" or "reforming" the prison, let's fix the social conditions that make the prison a functional institution.



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